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Applicant(s) : Steinman, et al.
Serial No. : 08/261,537 Group Art Unit: 1808
Filed : June 17, 1994 Examiner: L. Blaine Lankford
For : METHOD FOR IN VITRO PROLIFERATION OF
DENDRITIC CELL PRECURSORS AND THEIR USE TO
PRODUCE IMMUNOGENS

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 15, 1997. Applicants have petitioned herewith for a three (3) month extension of time up to and including October 15, 1997 and have paid the appropriate fees under 37. C.F.R. §1.136 and § 1.17.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending in this application. Claims 14-21 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-13 and 22-23 stand rejected. Reconsideration of this application in view of the following arguments is respectfully requested.

Rejection of Claims 1-12 Under 35 U.S.C. 103

Claims 1-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Markowicz et al. in view of Jakoby et al. The